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SUBJECT: US-USSR AGREEMENT ON AGRICULTURAL COOPERATION: JOINT
WORKING GROUP MEETING

REF: TOFAS 112 AND FASTO 89,

PASS AGRICULTURE/FAS/US-USSR SECRETARIAT

1. KOVALEV ADVISED AGATTACHE IN LETTER THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED THE U.S. SUGGESTION THAT ER&I WORKING GROUP MEETING SHOULD TAKE PLACE ON JUNE 8-9. HE ENUMERATED FOLLOWING REASONS FOR PROPOSING MAY 25-26, RPT MAY 25-26: (A) NAZARENKO LEAVING FOR U.S. ON JUNE 1 ON USSR AGRO COMPLEX TEAM; (B) A.I. MONOV, RUDENKO'S REPLACEMENT, IS NEW AND IS UNABLE CHAIR SESSION BY HIMSELF; AND (C) LATER IN YEAR IS NO GOOD, BECAUSE IT WOULD BE TOO CLOSE TO JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS IN FALL. (VACATIONS ARE UNMENTIONED FACTOR.)

2. KOVALEV'S LETTER, UNFORTQMATELY, RZCEIVED LATE APRIL 21, PRIOR TO REF FASTO.

FYI: ANTICIPATE STRONG STAND BY SOVIETS IN EFFORT TO HAVE NAZARENKO PRESENT. BASED ON YESTERDAY'S MEETING WITH MONOV (SEE SEPTTEL ON LIVESTOCK/GRAIN STUDY TEAM), NAZARENKO'S PRESENCE, AS TOUGH AS HE IS, WILL BE ADVANTAGEOUS TO AMERICAN INTERESTS.

3. DELAYING ARRIVAL DATE OF AGRO COMPLEX TEAM IS ONE POSSIBILITY,
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BUT SOVIETS HAVE NOT MENTIONED IT, NOR WILL AGATTACHE UNTIL

ADVISED TO DO SO.
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